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THE BIBLIOGRAPHY OF CANADIAN BIBLIOGRAPHIES

A Co-operative Project undertaken by the Society.

The B.C.B. project announced by our President, Dr. Raymond Tanghe, in his Inaugural Address (September 1958 Newsletter, page 8) is already well on the way. The following members of the Society have consented to act as correspondents in their own provinces, in order to provide up-to-date information on little-known local sources or on bibliographies in preparation:

British Columbia: Mr. R.D. Hilton Smith, Adelphi Book Shop,
822 1/2 Fort Street, Victoria.

Alberta: Miss Flora Macleod, Reference Librarian,
Calgary Public Library, Calgary.

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Miss Martha Shepard, National Library, Ottawa.

New Brunswick: Mr. Maurice P. Boone, Legislative Library, Fredericton.

Correspondents in other provinces are now being invited to participate in the project, and a complete list will be published in the next Newsletter. In the meantime, members of the Society who know of bibliographies that deserve inclusion in the B.C.B. should contact their local correspondent or write directly to the B.C.B. Committee, National Library of Canada, Ottawa. Present plans call for the inclusion of periodical indexes and union lists as well as check lists and bibliographies, but publishers' catalogues will not be included unless their listings are bibliographically accurate and limited to Canadiana. Suggestions about what should be included or excluded will be gratefully received by the B.C.B. Committee.

1959 ANNUAL MEETING OF THE SOCIETY

The 1959 Annual Meeting of the Bibliographical Society of Canada has been tentatively scheduled for Monday, June 22, 1959 at the University of Alberta, Edmonton. Further details will be given in the next issue of the Newsletter.

MEETING OF THE SOCIETY'S EXECUTIVE AND COUNCIL

The Executive and Council of the Society met on Friday, October 31, 1958 in the office of Dr. Lorne Pierce to discuss various aspects of the Society's activities during the present year.

A CHECK LIST OF CANADIAN LITERATURE AND BACKGROUND MATERIALS,

1628 - 1950

(To be published in January 1959)

This compilation by R. E. Watters attempts to provide as complete a record as possible of the separately published works that constitute the literature of English-speaking Canada. The titles listed range from scholarly works on the classics and early works on psychology to handbooks for immigrants and journals of travellers and fur traders. Each entry is coded to show the library or libraries in which the works can be found.

Part I of the Check List records all known titles in the belletristic forms of poetry, fiction and drama that were produced by English-speaking Canadians up to 1950. All titles have been included without any attempt having been made to evaluate their relative merits. Part II does not aim at the same completeness but includes a selection of works which seem likely to be of value to anyone studying the literature or culture of Canada. Here are included books in such categories as biography, literary criticism, scholarship, local history, religion, bibliography, and so forth. Books in more general categories with less immediate relationship to literature - such as military, economic, or constitutional history, and writings in law, commerce, or the sciences - have been omitted. The definition of "Canadian Author" has been deliberately left very broad.

The book should prove to be an indispensable reference work for both the general reader looking for a guide to Canadian writing and the scholar interested in research.

R. E. Watters is Professor of English at the University of British Columbia. The Check List was compiled by Professor Watters for the Humanities Research Council of Canada with assistance from librarians throughout Canada. It will be published by the University of Toronto Press.

xvi + 744 pages

6 1/8 x 9 1/4 inches

\$ 15.00

CANADIAN BUSINESS AND TECHNICAL

PERIODICAL INDEX

The Toronto Public Libraries, in consultation with the Canadian Library Association, propose to initiate in 1959 a bi-monthly index to thirty Canadian business and technical periodicals, and to provide an annual cumulation of this index - if sufficient subscriptions are received in advance to warrant the cost of publication and distribution. Subscription Fee is \$20.00, and inquiries may be addressed to the Publications Section, Toronto Public Libraries, College and St. George Streets, Toronto 2-B, Canada. ✓

CANADIANA 1955

The cumulative 1955 volume of Canadiana, published by the Canadian Bibliographic Centre, Ottawa, will appear in mid-December, 1958. ✓

SUPPLEMENT TO A BIBLIOGRAPHY OF CANADIANA

A chronological supplement to the Staton and Tremaine Bibliography of Canadiana, with an index, is being prepared under the editorship of Miss Gertrude Boyle, assisted by Miss Marjorie Colbeck, and will appear in 1959. The Supplement will include over 1,200 items of Canadiana up to 1867 - books, pamphlets and broadsides - which have been acquired by the Toronto Public Library since 1934. Address inquiries to the Toronto Public Libraries, College and St. George Streets, Toronto 2-B, Canada.

REPRINTING OF THE CANADIAN CATALOGUE OF BOOKS

In response to many requests, the Toronto Public Libraries are undertaking the reprinting of the English language section of the Canadian Catalogue of Books, with a cumulated author index to the 28 parts. This will be an offset printing in two volumes of approximately 500 pages each, Vol. II (1940-1949) to appear in January 1959, Volume I (1921-1939) by June 1959. The price of each volume will be \$5.00.

N.B. It is of some interest to note that the author compilation is being made on IBM punched cards as a bibliographical experiment.

STEPHEN LEACOCK

Students of Canadian Literature who are already familiar with the Leacock Checklist and Index published by Dr. Gerhard R. Lomer in 1954 (National Library of Canada) will be interested in a supplementary listing to 1956 published by Ralph L. Curry in the Bulletin of Bibliography, vol. XXII no. 5 (January-April, 1958), pp. 106-109: "Stephen Butler Leacock: A Check-List."

INTERNATIONAL BIBLIOGRAPHY

The 24th Conference of the International Federation for Documentation was held in Washington during November and was attended by a member of our Society, Mr. Henry C. Campbell.

The second Seminario bibliografico de Centro America y del Caribe was held in Panama in February 1958, and it was decided to continue and expand the Bibliografia de Centro America y del Caribe, of which the 1956 volume has already appeared.

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THE OSBORNE COLLECTION OF EARLY CHILDREN'S BOOKS

1566-1910 : A CATALOGUE

The long-awaited catalogue of the priceless collection of children's books presented to the Boys and Girls House of the Toronto Public Libraries by Mr. Edgar Osborne, F.L.A., M.A., is to appear during December. It provides in one illustrated volume an annotated list of about 2,700 items in the Collection: books of instruction, moral tales, nursery rhymes, poetry, legends, fairy tales and picture books. The catalogue is edited by Judith St. John and costs \$ 15.00.

JOURNAL OF THE CANADIAN LINGUISTIC ASSOCIATION

REVUE DE L'ASSOCIATION CANADIENNE DE LINGUISTIQUE

Professor Arsene Lauziere of R.M.C. has compiled a bilingual author and subject index of the first three volumes of this periodical (1954-1957). The Index, contained in Vol. IV no I (1958) of the JCLA, and printed separately as a pamphlet, lists many articles of interest to students of Canadiana, and several bibliographical items such as the following:

W.S.Avis, "A Bibliography of Writings on Canadian English",
JCLA I (October 1955) 19-20.

Yearly subscription to the JCLA costs \$2.00

INDEX TO THE LAW LIBRARY JOURNAL

A Cumulative Index to the Law Library Journal's first 50 volumes will soon be available. The Law Library Journal is an indispensable source of information about legal research methods and legal bibliography, and is the only source of many check-lists and bibliographic notes on legal materials. The new Index, through its detailed author-subject analysis and its cumulative form, will make all of these sources speedily available for the first time.

This one-volume Index is a publication of the American Association of Law Libraries, and will be distributed early in 1959 at \$16.00 per copy. Orders may be placed now with Miss Dorothy Salmon, Law Librarian, University

of Kentucky, Lexington, Kentucky.

WHAT OUR MEMBERS ARE DOING

Mr. W. F. E. Morley, Librarian, Canadian Pacific Railway Co.,
Room E-301, Windsor Station, Montreal, P.Q.

"...my interest for some time past has been especially directed towards Canadian local history and I am working on a bibliography of the subject. I would like to know if any member of the Society has similar interests, so that we may communicate on the matter."

Mr. Helmut Kallman, 376 Merton St., Toronto 7, Ont.

"For your information, I have in my files extensive bibliographical information on Canadian sheet music as well as on articles, books and passing references relating to music in Canada."

Miss Grace S. Lewis, 6 Lewis Ave., Yarmouth South, N.S.

Is compiling a bibliography of the works of the late Moses H. Nickerson, formerly Editor of the Shelburne (N.S.) Coast Guard.

PUBLICATIONS OF THE BIBLIOGRAPHICAL SOCIETY OF CANADA

REPRINT SERIES (\$.50 each)

- No. 1. Thoughts on the Education of Youth, by Richard Cockrel.
Newark, Tiffany, 1795. 1949.
- No. 2. Representations par le Corps de Grands Jures (Quebec, 1764).
Quebec, Brown (et) Gilmore, 1765. 1949.
- No. 3. Sawney's Letters, by James Anderson. Barkerville, on Williams
Creek, B.C., Cariboo Sentinel, 1868. 1950.
- No. 4. The Manuscript Book of Oliver Goldsmith. England 1825, and
Canadian Review and Magazine at Montreal, 1826. 1950.

FACSIMILE SERIES (\$1.00 each)

- No. 1. Aux Citoyens et Habitants des Villes et des Campagnes de
la Province de Quebec. Quebec, Brown, 1785. 1951.
- No. 2. The Union of Taste and Science, by Stephen Dickson.
Quebec, Neilson, 1799. 1952.

No.3. The Red River Expedition, by J. C. Major, Winnipeg, Laurie,
1870. 1953.

No.4. Cree Syllabic Hymn Book, by James Evans. Norway House, 1841. 1954.

No.5. The British American Almanack for the Year 1792. Saint John,
Sower and Ryan, 1791. 1953.

No.6. Kensington Gardens in 1830, (by Major John Richardson).
London, Marsh and Miller, 1830. Edited, and with an Introduction
by Carl F. Klinck, 1957.

MONOGRAPHS

(\$1.50)

No.1. Early Printers and Printing in the Canadas, by H. Pearson
Gundy, Toronto, 1957.

MARCH 1959 NEWSLETTER

The next issue of the Newsletter will appear early in March, 1959.
If you have any bibliographical items or any general information likely to
interest our members, please send them to the Editor before February 15, 1959.

ANNUAL CHECK LIST OF PUBLICATIONS BY MEMBERS OF THE SOCIETY

It is hoped to publish each year in the March issue of the Newsletter
a list of publications by our members during the previous calendar year. Several
members have already sent to the Editor for the March 1959 issue details of their
articles, reviews or books published during 1958, and other members are urged
to do so without delay. (Non-members who wish to be included in this listing
should first send their \$2.00 membership fee to the Secretary-Treasurer,
Mrs. R. C. Jacobsen, 32 Lowther Avenue, Toronto 5). Details of all items to
be listed in the March, 1959 issue of the Newsletter must be in the Editor's hands
by February 1, 1959. Tear off the attached form letter and use it to send your own
1958 bibliography to the Editor.

Dr. David M. Hayne,
Editor, Bibliographical Society of Canada Newsletter,
University College,
Toronto 5, Ont.

Dear Sir:

During 1958 I have published the following:

which I authorize you to include in your March 1959 "Check List of
publications by members of the Society".

Yours truly,

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